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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Petitioner, N.V. Innogenetics S.A., hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,843,779, 6,008,024, and 6,238,892 and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the above-identified application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to

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